~~~ Those Privileged To Serve ~~~

Sunday 1st Service	December 17, 9:00 A.M.	December 24, 9:00 A.M.
Welcome/ Announcements	Alfred Barnes	Alfred Barnes
Scripture / Prayer	Larry Richardson	Nathan Bell
Song Leader	Even Barnes	Russ Baker
	Randy Harp	Randy Harp
Preside Communion	Willie Green / Farron Whisenant	Willie Green / Farron Whisenant
Serving Preaching	Michael Hollis	Michael Hollis
Closing Prayer	Donnell Robison	Larry Richardson
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Prepare Communion	Debbie Richards	Debbie Richards
Sunday 2nd Service	December 17, 11:30 A.M.	December 24, 11:30 A.M.
Welcome/ Announcements	Michael Hollis	Michael Hollis
Scripture/ Prayer	Michael Hollis	Michael Hollis
Song Leader	Randy Harp	Russ Baker
Preside Communion	Randy Harp	Randy Harp
Serving	Willie Green / Farron Whisenant	Willie Green / Farron Whisenant
Preaching	Alfred Barnes	Alfred Barnes
Closing Prayer	Richard Harp	Dylan Madden
Wednesday Evening 7:00 PM	December 20, 7:00 P.M.	December 13, 7:00 P.M.

Weekly Assembly Schedule 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM - Worship 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM - Bible Classes 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM - Worship Wednesday Bible Study - 7:00 PM (Some variation may be necessary)

"In Christ Be Free In 2023"

What Must I Do To Be Saved?		
Realize I am lost	Rom. 3:23	
Hear the Gospel	ACts 15:7	
Believe the Gospel	Mk. 16:15-16	
Repent of sins	ACts 17:30	
Confess Christ	Rom. 10:9-10	
Baptized to remit sins	ACts 2:38	
Remain faithful	2 Pet. 1:5-11	

Record of Attendance		
<u>12/03/2023</u>	<u>Total</u>	
Sun. Bible Study	35	
Sun. 1st Worship	35	
Sun. 2nd Worship	31	
Wednesday Evening	18	
Contribution	\$3251.00	

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"The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple." Psalm 119:130

Tara Church of Christ 770-471-7300 SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY

1st Worship 9:00 am Bible Class 10:30 am 2nd Worship 11:30 am

WEDNESDAY

Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Stay Young

It can be our fortune to stay young. You can avoid old age. You can! For age is only a quality of mind.

You are young if you:

- 1.) Have turned loose of yesterday
- 2.) Enjoy Today
- 3.) Anticipate Tomorrow
- 4.) Look up when knocked down.
- 5.) Feel there is much to learn.
- 6.) Are Ambitious
- 7.) Are Enthusiastic
- 8.) Dream
- 9.) Have no wrinkles on the heart
- 10.) Feel Young

But!

If you have left your dreams behind
If your hope is cold
If you no longer look ahead
If your ambition's fires are dead
Then you are old.
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How old Art Thou?

Gen. 47:8

Our Prayer List

Harold Williams, is home recovering from hip surgery and having home health care. **Nancy Whisenant,** had surgery Nov. 28th. She is home recovering from surgery.

Vera Hannah, is recovering from surgery.
Marilyn Valentine, is recovering from surgery.
Frank Johnson, is recovering from surgery.
Henrietta Jones, is recovering from surgery.
Gainell Green, sister of Willie Green, is at home. She is being taken care of at home.
Havanna Goebel, is still experiencing pain. It was great to hear she is doing better.
Continued Prayer List—Josiah nephew of Maylene Lamy and her friend Pauline Noel, Don Cheek, Sal & Barbara Joseph, Bernice Harris, Doris Pate, Mozelle Jones, Willie Mae Brown, Carla Robison's mother, Alfred and Lenora Barnes, parents of Alfred Barnes.

Send Cards, Make Calls, Show your Love and Care!

" Good example has twice the value of good advice"

Activities And Events

Today- 9:00 A.M. 1st morning service.

Today- Sunday Morning Bible Classes at 10:30A.M.

Today-11:30 A.M. 2nd service.

Wednesday night Bible class-7:00 P.M.

Sympathy and prayers are expressed for Marilyn Valentine in the passing of Myrna McKenzie the mother of Marilyn. The funeral will be on 12/23/2023 at 11:00 am at the Avondale Church of Christ. Keep Marilyn and her family in your prayers. Also continue to remember Patrick Brown in the passing of this mother.



Continued Prayer List

Ericka Lee, Havanna Goebel joyfully reports her daughter, Ericka, is improving. Her tumors have shrunk. God hears our prayers. Cards can be sent to: Ericka Lee, 1030 E. Ocean Blvd, Unit 601 Long Beach, Ca 90802.

Vera Pollard, daughter-in-law of Paul Pollard and niece of Steve, Donna Williams and Robin Wilson.

Vera is improving. Keep this family in your prayers. **Donald Favor,** brother of Havanna Goebel, had a massive heart attack. Prayers are needed.

In Search Of The Lord's Way Sundays - Channel 57 - 7:30 AM 12/24/23 "With Christ"

12/31 /23 "A Good Conscience"



ELDERS' COMMENTS

We commend the members of this congregation who take the assemblies of the church very seriously and put forth diligent effort to be present whenever the church meets. This shows love for the Lord and His church. When you are not present we know that you are either sick, working, or you are out of town. Otherwise, you are always here. And if you have a leadership responsibility in the worship, or teach a Bible class, you notify us or make sure that your role is covered when you are going to be away. Very often, a member will say to one of us, "Now we'll be away next Sunday". Is it really necessary to inform the elders when you will be away? No, but it's commendable, and we appreciate it.

RELIGIOUS AUTHORITY

Almost every activity of life involves some authorization. We can drive only when we have a license; marrying requires one too; so does hunting and fishing. Attending a movie or sporting event requires a ticket; so does flying on a plane. A policeman is authorized to enforce the law, a doctor to practice medicine, a pharmacist to dispense drugs, and the list is endless. All rational thinking people believe these things, and many others like them, are reasonable. Without proper authority the result would be chaos and destruction. Can you imagine living where there is no authority? It's dangerous enough to live where many people do not recognize or submit to established authority.

Is it not strange that in religion many want no authority. They want everyone to be able to do their own thing, believe what they want to believe, live as they desire, and expect our merciful God to save them. This concept is not even rational, much less biblical. And those who believe this is the way are deceived. The Bible says, "Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life." (Gal.6:7,8)

Christ was asked, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" (Matt.21:23) This was a sensible question. Even the Son of God did not speak without authority. The Father gave him authority. He said, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth..." (Matt.28:18) Ultimately, all authority rests with God (the godhead - the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit). God has spoken to us through his inspired, authoritative book, the Bible. This authority forbids any other authority. (Gal.1:8,9; Rev.22:18,19) The Scriptures are our authority because they were given by the Holy Spirit. The writers of the Scriptures were guided word for word by the Holy Spirit. Those who fail to recognize the authority of the Scriptures in all matters of faith and practice will suffer eternal consequences.

Richard

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Please remember to turn off your cell phone during Bible study and Worship!